



Volume XLIV No. 3 Brentwood, New Hampshire April 2020

## **BRENTWOOD'S NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS**



Left to right: Andy Artimovich, Kaley Dvorak, Dick Chamberlain, Bob Mantegari, Nick Wrighton, Albert "Skip" Belanger, Lois DeYoung, Ward Byrne, and Brian Duffy.

**SELECTMAN**, 2 for 3 years:

Andrew Artimovich and Bob Mantegari

**MODERATOR**, 1 for 2 years:

Richard K. Chamberlain

**SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST, 1 for 6 years:** 

Kaley Dvorak

**CEMETERY TRUSTEE**, 1 for 3 years:

Albert Edward Belanger

**MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE**, 1 for 3 years:

Lois DeYoung

TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS, 1 for 3 years:

Nick Wrighton

PLANNING BOARD, 2 for 3 years:

Ward Byrne and Doug Finan

LIBRARY TRUSTEE, 2 for 3 years:

Lyn Austin and Gregory Coppola

**SCHOOL BOARD – BRENTWOOD DISTRICT,** 2 for 3 years:

Brian Duffy and Allison Higgins

**COOPERATIVE SCHOOL BOARD** 

Kathy McNeill, East Kingston; David Slifka, Exeter; and Travis Thompson, Stratham.

**COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR** 

Katherine Miller, Exeter

COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET COMMITTEE

Lois DeYoung, Brentwood; Roy Morrisette, Exeter; Jennifer Ramsay, Kensington.

Election tallys can be found on the Town website www.brentwoodnh.gov. Town Meeting vote results can be found on page 7.

3336 registered voters • 491 ballots cast • 33 absentee ballots • 14.7% election turnout • 158 voters attended Town Meeting

## **Brentwood**Newsletter

Town of Brentwood www.brentwoodnh.gov

### **TOWN CLERK and TAX COLLECTOR**

(603) 642-6400 ext 113/114 Mon., Wed., Thurs. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Tuesday 8:30 am - 7:00 pm Friday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

#### TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

(603) 642-6400 ext 110 Fax: 642-6310 Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

#### **BRENTWOOD POLICE**

Emergency: 911 Non-emergency: (603) 642-8817

#### **BRENTWOOD FIRE**

Emergency: 911 Non-emergency: (603) 642-8132

#### MARY E. BARTLETT LIBRARY

(603) 642-3355

brentwoodlibrary@comcast.net www.brentwoodlibrary.org Monday 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm Tuesday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 am - 7:00 pm Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Saturday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

## PLANNING BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

(603) 642-6400 ext 116 Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm Planning Board meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm

#### RECREATION DEPARTMENT

(603) 642-6400 ext. 120 Monday - Thursday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm recreation@brentwoodnh.gov www.brentwoodnh.gov/recreation

## **SWASEY CENTRAL SCHOOL**

(603) 642-3487

Swasey on the Web: scs.sau16.org SAU 16 on the Web: www.sau16.org

### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINES**

Submissions for the following month must be received by the 15th. Send your news to

Email: brentwoodnews2018@gmail.com Mail: 102 Middle Road, Brentwood, NH 03833

## **Recycling Pickup Dates**

April 1 • April 14 & 15 • April 28 & 29

Waste Tonnage Figures	January	February
Tons, mixed solid waste	111.08	95.56
Tons, recycled goods	27.82 (20%)	25.11 (21%)

## Selectmen's Meeting Schedule (April through August)

For the months of April through August the board will meet on the first and third Tuesday at 6:00 pm in the Cross Room of the Town Office. The public is welcome. If you would like to be added to the official agenda, please contact Karen Clement.

To watch previously recorded selectmen meetings go to: **vimeo.com/user97247702**. You can also watch the meetings live on Youtube. Check the town website for the link.

Karen Clement, Town Administrator

## **Town Clerk Notes**

Due to COVID-19 precautions, our office will have limited hours for the next few weeks.

Mon, Wed, Thurs 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Tuesday 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

- For new motor vehicle transactions, the Governor has authorized us to extend all temporary plates issued after March 1 until April 30, 2020.
- The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office will be closed **April 22nd** for Tax Collector's Workshop.
- Did you know that you can pay your vehicle, trailer, or dog registrations online? You can
  even pay your property taxes online! Visit <u>brentwoodnh.gov</u> and select the Town
  Clerk/Tax Collector tab.
- We accept CASH, CHECK (made out to the Town of Brentwood), or CREDIT CARDS for all payments at the town office! \*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\* A debit card is processed as a credit card only if the card has a MasterCard, Visa, Discover, or AMEX logo present. There are additional convenience fees to cover the cost of the credit card fees (2.79% with a \$1.50 minimum). These fees go directly to our third party processor and are not retained by the Town. Convenience fees cannot be refunded.
- When transferring your plates, please bring in your old registration to return to the state.
   A copy will cost \$17.50.
- We are able to provide **HUNTING/FISHING** licenses and register **BOATS**, **OHRV**.
- NH state law requires you to register dogs (RSA 466:1 Procuring License; Tag). You can obtain a copy of this law at the Town Clerk's Office.

### Dog license fees for 2020

\$10.00 for an unneutered/unspayed dog \$7.50 for a puppy (up to 7 months old) \$3.00 on the first dog for a senior resident.

Dog licenses must be filed before April 30, 2020 to avoid fines.

Daphne Woss, Brentwood Town Clerk/Tax Collector

## Thank You to the March Newsletter Crew

Thank You to all the volunteers who came to help fold the latest edition: Becky Betty, Bill, Carole, Doug, Joe, Jonathan, Joyce, Ken, Liz F, Michelle, Olivia, Phyllis, and Robin.

If you would like to join the *Newsletter* crew on a folding night, send us an email and you'll be notified of the next folding party: <u>info@brentwoodnewsletter.org</u>.

## **BRENTWOOD CHURCH NEWS**

#### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - 201 North Road

In the hope that Holy Week will not be cancelled, we plan on services as follows:

April 9th – Maundy Thursday, Communion Service, 7:00 pm

**April 10th** – Good Friday Prayer Service, 7:00 pm

April 12th - Easter Sunrise Service, church parking lot, 6:30 am

April 12th - Easter Sunrise Breakfast, by donation, 7:15 am

April 12th - Easter Worship Service, 10:00 am

Of course, should the virus still be in play, some or all of these may be cancelled. Keep up to date and receive a daily spiritual boost, visit facebook.com/firstbaptistbrentwoodnh.

## PILGRIM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST BRENTWOOD-KINGSTON, 197 Middle Road (Route 111A)

For now, we will be worshipping online on our Facebook page each Sunday. Facebook @PilgrimUCCBrentwoodKingston, then click on the video link.

For updates and information, visit our website pilgrimucc-nh.org, or our Facebook page @PilgrimUCCBrentwoodKingston.

April 12 - Easter Sunday Worship, 10:00 am

Join us, online or in person, as we celebrate the Hope and Joy of the Resurrection.

#### GRACE MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL – 263 Route 125

In light of the current virus situation, Grace Ministries International has moved to a virtual meeting schedule until futher notice.

- Sunday morning worship will be held live on YouTube and Zoom beginning at 10:00 am.
- All our weekday classes are available on Zoom.
- Please go to http://gracemi.org for connections and instructions.

Hoping and praying for real services, but if the current situation persists, the following events will be virtual.

#### **Easter Services:**

April 9 - Communion Worship Service, 6:30 pm

April 12 - Easter Sunday Breakfast, 9:00 am

April 12 - Easter Sunday Service, Pre-service prayer 9:30 am

## ST. JOSEPH PARISH - 200 Pleasant Street, Epping

For updates and additional information, see our website: stjosepheppingnh.com

St. Joseph holds weekday masses at the following times:

Monday 8:00 am Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 7:30 am

Wednesday 7:00 pm Saturday 8:00 am

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am, and 6:00 pm

## Town of Brentwood Response to COVID - 19

The Town of Brentwood is actively engaged and continuously monitoring the progress of COVID-19. Town Officials are working closely with First Responders to include Brentwood Fire-Rescue and Brentwood Police, partner agencies at the local, state, and federal level to take necessary precautions as suggested by the latest and ever changing guidance provided by Center for Disease Control and NH Dept. of Health and Human Services to reduce the transmission of Coronavirus. We will continue to keep you informed as the situation changes, understanding that the current Coronavirus situation is fluid, ever changing, and constantly evolving.

In the interest of public safety, The Board of Selectmen has postponed or cancelled all activities other than town business at the Town Office and Recreation Center through April 6, 2020. We will re-evaluate in three weeks and may extend this time period if the guidance at that time suggests it would be beneficial. We understand this may create some inconvenience, and we thank you for your patience.

Through April 6, 2020 assistance in assessing, welfare, recreation, building, and planning will be made available by appointment only. Assessing cards are available on the town's website. The counter terminal will not be available during this time. All interior inspections for the revaluation with KRT and for building permits are being suspended at this time.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collectors office is encouraging **ALL** people who have the capability of doing automobile registration renewals and estimates, tax payments, vital records, boat registration renewals, and dog registrations either online or by mail, the town clerk's hours will be limited. The Town Clerk/Tax Collector will be open on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and Tuesday 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm. You may contact the Town Office during business hours at 642-6400 x114 if you need assistance in completing online transactions. We realize some things cannot be done online and an office visit is the only means of completing your transactions. We will do our best to help all residents.

We encourage residents to practice social distancing, frequent handwashing and limiting gatherings. Please be vigilant in staying home if you are showing symptoms of sickness such as cough, fever, or flu-like symptoms.

The following are steps the public can take to help prevent the transmission of COVID-19, as well as influenza and other respiratory illness, in general:

- Wash your hands often, for at least 20 seconds, with soap and water;
- Avoid close social contact and contact with people who are sick;
- If you get sick, stay home from work, school, or daycare until your fever has been gone for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medicines;
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands;
- Cover your nose and mouth when you cough or sneeze and throw tissues in the trash after use;
- Clean and disinfect objects and surfaces that may be contaminated, such as shared dining areas and doorknobs, and all frequently used surfaces;
- Adhere to all travel advisories issued at a federal level.

Residents with questions on COVID-19 are encouraged to contact the State of New Hampshire informational line by dialing 211 or visiting www.211nh.org.

People who develop symptoms of fever, cough or shortness of breath should seek health care advice by phone from either the NH Division of Public Health and Human Services at 603-271-4496 or call your primary care physician's office for guidance.

## With Our Deepest Sympathy



**Richard E. Buxton** of Kensington passed away February 27, 2020. In the early hours on his last day, he rose with the sun as he made his last trip in the ambulance, one of his favorite vehicles to ride in.

Dickie was born in Danvers, MA to the late Horace and Frances (McNeill) Buxton. He was the second of 12 children and is survived by siblings William,

Dorothy Milbury, Janet, Jonathan, Elizabeth and several nieces and nephews, sisters and brothers in law. He now joins his siblings already passed Robert, Donald, Kenneth, Stanley, Nancy and Anthony.

Until his retirement this past year, he woke to the rising sun and the sound of the roosters on the Buxton farm. He dressed each day for work in his "uniform" and baseball cap and tended to his farm chores with his John Deere tractor or mower. He was a friendly, happy person who loved people. He liked to shake hands and look you in the eye with a big, mischievous smile. Though Dickie was mentally challenged from birth, that didn't stop him from working, driving tractors, socializing, painting, giving orders to family, talking about tractors and trucks, sneaking snacks, and appreciating the simple things that life offered him. His favorite activities were spending time with family and friends and shooting air rifles and sling-shots at "unsuspecting victims." He enjoyed his retirement residing at the Rockingham County home. which he called his "hotel," where the wonderful, gracious staff and "table buddies" embraced his playfulness and lovingly responded in kind. For eighty-five years, he lived a happy and full life and was very well loved and cared for by family and friends.

The family wishes to thank all his caregivers and friends at various agencies, Exeter Hospital and Rockingham County Rehabilitation and Nursing Center.



**Carol M. Duchemin** of Brentwood, passed away on February 26, 2020, at her home. She was born in White Plains, NY on November 24, 1942.

Carol grew up in Scarsdale, NY where she attended school. In her early 20s she moved to Newton, NH and had owned and operated a house cleaning business for several years. She worked as a home

health aide for Derry Visiting Nurses before her retirement.

Carol enjoyed watching and feeding birds and had remarked that the more she saw people the more she liked her birds. She also loved reading and watching game shows. Carol was a very blunt, matter of fact person, who loved a good argument – which was usually provoked by her. She loved spaghetti, any kind of pastries, and Shrimp Lo Mein. She hated white sauce and disliked tin foil on leftovers in the refrigerator. She will be sadly missed.

Carol was predeceased by her husband, Bruce L. Duchemin in 2006. She is survived by her daughter, Tracy Haggett and husband Dick of Brentwood; two sons, Edward Duchemin of Newmarket and Philip Duchemin and his partner Cheryl of Newton; one grandson, Derek Lariviere and wife Alana of Vista, CA; and one sister of Newton.



Adam G. Ennaciri of Brentwood died suddenly, March 11, 2020 at his home. He was born June 15, 2005 in Newburyport, MA the son of Rachid and Jaclynne (Gillen) Ennaciri. Adam was a freshman at the Exeter High School.

In addition to his parents, family members include his brother, Noah, sisters, Layla and Sabrina,

Uncle Seth Gillen, paternal grandparents, Fatima and Hassan, maternal grandparents, Kathleen and John Gillen.



Charles M. Garland died suddenly at his home on March 3, 2020. He was born in Waterboro, ME on July 11, 1926, the son of the late Charles H. and Marian L. (Whitten) Garland. A longtime resident of Brentwood, he grew up in Rochester, NH.

Charles worked in construction most of his life, formerly for Seaward Construction in Kittery, ME,

as a crane operator for the Abington Group in Portsmouth, NH, and at Rila Precast in Brentwood, NH. In his spare time he enjoyed woodworking, gardening, and cutting his own wood.

He was predeceased by his wife Shirley (Fuller) Garland who died in 2009, and is survived by three sons: Ronald Garland of FL, Kenneth Garland and his wife Penny of Exeter, and Donald Garland and his wife Paula of Brentwood; 9 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; 5 great grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and dear friends.

## Search on for TAC Representative

The Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization (Rockingham MPO) is a federally designated entity that administers the urban transportation planning process for the 27 communities of the Rockingham Planning Commission. This organization is staffed by the Rockingham Planning Commission and has two standing committees on which each of the communities has representation. The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), has one appointed member from each community; and the Policy Committee is composed of the community appointed RPC Commissioners as well as regional, state, and federal planning partners.

The purpose of the TAC is to provide technical advice and recommendations to the Policy Committee concerning transportation issues that have a bearing on the region. Specifically, this often involves prioritizing transportation improvements, reviewing studies, and providing input to New Hampshire DOT and other agencies. The TAC does not establish policies for the organization, but makes recommendations to the Policy Committee.

TAC members are often town/city planners, planning board members, public works employees or other members of community leadership. Citizens particularly interested in transportation issues have been appointed as well.

TAC meetings are normally held monthly on the fourth Thursday of the month at 9:00 am, at the Rockingham Planning Commission offices. Meetings usually last approximately 2 hours.

The Board of Selectmen is looking to appoint a person to ensure that Brentwood is represented on the Transportation Advisory Committee. If you are interested please contact Karen Clement, Town Administrator at kclement@brentwoodnh.gov or by calling 642 6400 x 110.

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# and CANCELLATIONS

**Building Department.** Due to COVID-19, all inspections and plan reviews will be done by appointment as needed. In some cases pictures will be required. Permit applications are available for you to print from the Town website. Please use email as much as possible, PDF files are best. Kip Kaiser, Code Enforcement, kkaiser@brentwoodnh.gov

**Cemetery Trustees.** The Cemetery Trustees have cancelled their April meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for **May 7**, at 5:00 pm in the Sanborn Room at the Town Office.

**Brentwood Gardeners.** Sadly, the April meeting of the Brentwood Gardeners has been cancelled. We know you will all be out in your gardens getting ready for the season.

Brentwood Library. There are no current hours open to the public.

**Planning Board** continues to holding meetings, however, we are trying to limit attendance to 10 people (including Board members and applicants). Meetings will be available via Zoom. See town website and PB agenda for login details.

**Recreation Department.** All programs and events have been canceled for the month of March. The recreation department can still be reached by email during office hours. All visits to the Recreation office must be schedule with the Recreation Director prior to coming in. The Rec Department will continue to work on Spring and Summer programs and will notify the public if any changes are made.

Andrew Gray, 603-642-6400 ext. 120, recreation@brentwoodnh.gov.

## **Rabies Clinic**

The rabies clinic previously scheduled for April has been postponed until further notice. We'll let you know as soon as it is rescheduled.

Don't forget, your dog registrations are due by **April 30th**. If possible, please take care of this through the mail. If you have any questions, please contact Daphne at 642-6400 x113 or email townclerk@brentwoodnh.gov.

**Brentwood Republicans.** The Brentwood Republicans have cancelled their April Meeting. The May meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 14th** at the BRC. Republicans and like minded Independents of Brentwood are welcome to attend. Please contact Thad Riley with any questions, 603-397-9211 or strider.thad@gmail.com.

**Brentwood School Board.** The Brentwood School Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for **April 6th** at 6:30 pm. See town website or contact school board chair Melissa Litchfield for details.

Town Clean Up Day. In light of the uncertainties with Covid-19 and social distancing, the Conservation Commission will not be holding the roadside cleanup and BBQ on April 18. Instead, we encourage everyone to go out on April 18th and pick up roadside litter around Brentwood. What a great way to get some exercise, spend time outdoors, and to beautify our town as a community. Trash bags and gloves will be available at Pilgrim Church, 197 Middle Road, from 9:00 to 10:00 am, if you would like some. The bags you pick up can go out with your weekly trash. Please take pictures of your work and share them with the Conservation Commission's Facebook page. Stay safe and healthy.

Heather Dudley-Tatman, Brentwood Conservation Commission

## Thank You

I would like to extend my thanks and gratitude to all who helped with our Brentwood Town Election.

Thank you to the Brentwood Fire Department who didn't hesitate to come over and help Joyce Keegal set up the election gear. Thank you Chief Arcieri, Sgt Wicks, and Officer Kneeland for keeping us safe!

Much appreciation to the ballot clerks who worked a very long 14 hour day: Carole Belliveau, Alma Vahey, Heather Gilbert, Kaelyn Patch, and Carolyn Cocklin.

We all wish to thank Andy and Louise Artimovich for making us breakfast, and thank you to Bill Faria for bringing donuts. As well as our gratitude to the Ladies Auxillary Group for feeding us lunch and dinner: Bonnie Hunt, Lissa Colombo, and Diane Robinson.

I wish to recognize the hard work of my staff—Joyce Keegal and Kristin Patch, the election would not have been as successful without you both and all the help you provided for weeks leading up to our town election. We'll be ready for the New Hampshire State primary scheduled for September 8th.

Daphne Woss, Brentwood Town Clerk

## Post Cane: Search For Town's Oldest Resident

Brentwood's Boston Post Cane will once again be awarded to the "oldest" citizen in town.

The tradition of the Boston Post Cane was started in 1909 by *Boston Post* publisher Edwin A. Grozier. In an effort to increase the circulation of his newspaper, Grozier distributed some 700 canes to New England towns, which were to be awarded to the oldest citizen in town.

Each cane was manufactured by J. F. Fradley & Co. of New York and made of gaboon ebony from the African Congo. The head of the cane was rolled in 14-carat gold and shaped like a "door knob" and inscribed. Each cane was presented by the *Boston Post* to the Oldest Citizen in town. About 176 New Hampshire towns originally received a cane and

today 144 are still accounted for. Brentwood still has the original cane. If you think you are the "oldest" citizen in town please submit candidates

by May 1, 2020 to Karen Clement, kclement@brentwoodnh.gov. Please include your address, date of birth, and contact information.

Karen Clement. Town Administrator

## Friends of the Mary E. Bartlett Library

Given the ever-changing guidelines regarding COVID-19 and subsequent library policies, please watch the library's website and the Friend's Facebook page for updates about planned activities.

Thank you again to everyone who supported the American Red Cross Blood Drive in February—donors and volunteers, including Monk, the therapy dog! When I wrote March's Newsletter submission, the event hadn't taken place yet. We're happy to say we met our goal with appointments and walk-ins.

As of this writing, many of the Boston museums are closed for public safety to reduce spread of the coronavirus. I will continue to highlight venues to give you an idea of what you can look forward to when they reopen. The Friends pay an annual fee of \$200 for the Museum of Fine Arts pass which provides reduced admission to 2 adults. The MFA is celebrating their 150th anniversary in 2020. This month you have the amazing opportunity to view MFA's entire collection of Claude Monet's paintings (35!), plus 6 on loan from private collections. The exhibit will open April 18 and run through August 23. You will also find displays of photography, varied self-portraits, collections focused on female artists and artists of color, and so much more! I will also take a minute to remind you that we have discount passes to the Boston Children's Museum good for half price admission for 4 people on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Visit the Art Lab, play with bubbles, explore the Construction Zone and investigate the Japanese House. There are hands-on learning opportunities for a wide range of science, culture, art, literacy, and wellness topics.

Looking ahead and feeling optimistic, the Basement Bookstore will be open Saturdays, **April 4** and **April 18** from 10 am to noon. Fill a bag for \$5 or pay by donation. We will accept gently used books during Bookstore hours only. Non-fiction books must be less than 5 years old. All books must be in good condition without damage, dirt, or odor. We will NOT accept encyclopedias, textbooks, or outdated reference material. Watch the library website for changes and cancellations.

**Saturday**, **May 16** from 9:00 am to noon will be our annual Book & Bake Sale in conjunction with the Garden Club's Plant Sale. As the date gets closer, we'll be asking for baked goods donations.

The Friends had some recent resignations and the open Board positions needed to be filled through June. So we did a little rearranging and welcomed Gabbie Kelly as our new Treasurer. Thank you for joining us, Gabbie! We anticipate that all other Board positions will need to be filled in June. Nominations will be taken in May. Without a complete and active Board, the Friends will not be able to continue and the library will lose the funding support. We need new people who are willing to devote a few hours a month to continue the Friends' mission of supporting the library. We also need volunteers to work a couple hours in the Basement Bookstore, assist at events, or organize a fundraiser. We would love to have you work with us now to transition before we break for summer! Contact me if you would like to volunteer or have questions.

Our next meeting will be **Monday, April 13** at 6:30 pm. Please join us! *Jessica Paul, Secretary for The Friends* 

## **Brentwood Historical Society**

Historical research is an interesting pursuit and one does not always know where it will lead. Two cases in particular come to mind.

Last fall, three sisters from Delaware, Virginia and Maryland spent two hours at the Society researching their local family history. They are descendants of the Sanborn, Colcord, Graves, Dudley, Bean and Marshall families. They were excited about what they learned and gave Brentwood a copy of their own detailed genealogical research – adding much valuable information to our records. They also purchased 275th anniversary books as gifts to their respective families.



Susan Fort, Marie Withrow, Elizabeth Parsons

In another instance, Skip Belanger, our Research Correspondent, helped verify the Revolutionary War service of an individual whose descendant was applying for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution. Our records proved invaluable. The local DAR chapter president was so impressed by the important military service records in our 275th anniversary history book, she submitted the book for inclusion in the library of the National Society of the DAR in Washington D.C. Just a few weeks ago, the Historical Society received word the book has been accessioned into the library, and the Memorial Statement reads:

"The Brentwood Historical Society has preserved the diaries and knowledge of ancestors to create/publish a well-crafted reference book on an early New Hampshire town."

As always, we are pleased to work with anyone seeking family history and welcome any documents that add to town records. This service is available thanks to our members, volunteers, and donors who make our work possible.

On behalf of the Historical Society Board, a sincere thank you to all who donated baked goods to the Election Day Bake Sale, and to those who purchased some homemade treats to enjoy!

The extraordinary circumstance we are all experiencing will be a piece of our history—the town, state, country, and world. Stories about good neighbors helping each other, social distancing, shopping, and not shopping, scarce items, and home schooling are examples of what I would like to preserve in our files at the Historical Society.

If you have a story to tell about the past few weeks, or in the coming weeks, please send it to me: president@brentwoodnhhistory.org.

Rebecca Dunham, President, Brentwood Historical Society

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## Report of Brentwood Town Meeting March 14, 2020

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Brentwood in the County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, held at Swasey Central School on Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 9:00 am the following business was conducted:

Moderator Richard Chamberlain opened the meeting at 9:03 am and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There are 3,336 registered voters in Brentwood, of which, 158 registered voters (5%) attended Town Meeting.

Comments were made by the Moderator in regards to the Coronavirus.

Chief Arcieri asked that the meeting be dedicated to a 14-year-old resident who had passed away earlier in the week.

Accommodation was made to Richard Chamberlain from the Secretary of State and read by Select Board Chair Robert Mantegari.

Motion made by Linda MacDonald and duly seconded by Patty Shoreland to swear in officers and only vote on time sensitive warrants. Select Board Chair, Robert Mantegari, made a motion and was duly seconded by Jon Morgan, to allow legal representative to speak. Motion by Select Board Chair passed with voice vote. Legal representative spoke to the decision to continue with town meeting. Motion to close debate by Elizabeth Faria and duly seconded by Carole Belliveau. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Motion to swear in officers and only vote on time sensitive warrants was defeated by voice vote.

The Town Report was dedicated to Michael Hureau who retired as High Sheriff for Rockingham County in 2018. Michael received a standing ovation.

The Moderator read the results of Tuesday's election and all who were elected came to the front and were sworn in by Town Clerk Daphne Woss.

A motion was made by Douglas Cowie and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to use the Moderator's Rules for the meeting. Motion passed by voice vote.

Moderator Richard Chamberlain introduced the Selectmen, Supervisors of the Checklist, Town Clerk, Assistant Moderator, Police Chief, Fire Chief, State Representatives, and the Budget Committee Chair, who then introduced the Budget Committee members.

A motion was made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to waive the reading of the warrant. Motion passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #1. Motion was made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Million, One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand, Four Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars (\$4,139,448) for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required). An amendment was made by James Berlo and duly seconded by James Johnson to reduce the amount to raise and appropriate to Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000). Motion to close debate

made by Andrew Artimovich and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari. Motion to close debate on amendment passed by voice vote. Amendment to Article #1 failed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to close debate on Article #1, as written. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #1 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #1. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

A motion was made by William Faria and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to move Article #17 before Article #2. Motion passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #17. Motion made by William Faria and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to see if the Town will vote to rescind the appropriation approved in Article 2 of the 2019 warrant to raise and appropriate \$150,000 for conservation of the Martin property (227 South Road), because the property is no longer available. If approved, the \$150,000 will lapse to unassigned fund balance. Motion to close debate made by Bill Faria and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #17 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #17. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #2. Motion made by Phyllis Thompson and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$140,000.00) to contribute towards the conservation of ±35 acres of the Brentwood Game Farm, so called, located at 287 South Road (Tax Map 223, Lot 10). This warrant article is further contingent upon a suitable non-profit land trust of New Hampshire executing a binding purchase and sales agreement for a conservation easement with the legal owners of the stated property and obtaining sufficient remaining funds by any legal means to complete the terms of said agreement. This is a special warrant article that will be non-lapsing until the specific purpose is completed or obtained, but shall in no case be later than 5 years after the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made. (Majority Vote Required). Motion made by Corey Beem, who provided a signed list of at least 5 registered voters, to vote on Article #2 by secret ballot. An amendment was made by Edie Shipley and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to change Article #2 to read "to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$140,000.00) to contribute towards the conservation of ±35 acres of the Brentwood Game Farm, so called, located at 287 South Road (Tax Map 223, Lot 10) and to fund this appropriation by withdrawing this amount from unassigned fund balance. This warrant article is further contingent upon a suitable non-profit land trust of New Hampshire executing a binding purchase and sales agreement for a conservation easement with the legal owners of the stated property and obtaining sufficient remaining funds by any legal means to complete the terms of said agreement. This is a special warrant article that will be non-lapsing until the specific purpose is completed or obtained, but shall in no case be later than 5 years after the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made. (Majority Vote Required) Motion made by

Kaley Dvorak and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Amendment to Article #2 passed by voice vote. Article #2, as amended, passed by ballot vote. YES 137 NO 17. Motion made by Robert Bergin and duly seconded to restrict reconsideration of Article #2. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Paula Hamilton to move Article #16 before Article #3. Motion passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #16. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Steven Hamilton to see if the Town of Brentwood will vote that the entity designated by the Selectmen to produce the Brentwood Newsletter (the Editor) shall adhere to the following standards for the publication based on the receipt of public support from the town, including funds for production and mailing, use of the town name and seal, and posting on the town website: Content, other than announcements and public notices, contributed to the Brentwood Newsletter (BNL) from individuals or organizations not on the BNL editorial staff, shall be clearly attributed to the submitting entity. Contributed material intended to express an opinion or point of view shall be in the form of a letter or narrative statement, clearly attributed to the individual, group, or organization expressing that view, and limited to 500 words or less. Narrative or opinion developed by the editorial staff of the BNL shall be attributed either to an individual Editor or identified as an Editorial. Contributed content that contains copyrighted material without attribution. or contains offensive content and/or personal attacks shall be rejected. Brentwood residents or organizations submitting material which is rejected for publication shall receive a response from the Editor, prior to publication, stating the reason for the material being rejected. Any errors, or content that unintentionally violates these standards in published issues of the BNL, shall be prominently acknowledged and, where possible, corrected by the editorial staff in the subsequent BNL publication following notification to the Editor.

In addition, the town funds for the Newsletter shall be distributed in quarterly increments, based on receipt, by the Selectmen, of a written quarterly report by the Editor, detailing: A summary of the total funds received and expended related to the Newsletters for the prior quarter. The number of newsletters printed and mailed monthly. Copies of any material rejected for publication, or communications regarding errors/violations which are disputed by the Editor, noting the date and reason for the rejection that was communicated to the submitter. The identity of the Editor(s). These reports will be made available to Brentwood residents to review upon request.

Motion made by Lois DeYoung, who provided a signed list of at least 5 registered voters, to vote on Article #16 by secret ballot. Motion made by Robert Stephens and duly seconded by Thad Riley to close debate. Article #16 failed by ballot vote. YES 37 NO 85. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #16. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE #3.** Motion was made by William Faria and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Thousand Dollars (\$17,000) to be added to the

existing Solar Array Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required). Motion made by Kenneth Christiansen and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #3 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #3. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #4. Motion was made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the existing Software for Municipal Operations Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required). Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #4 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #4. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #5. Motion was made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by William Faria to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the existing Information Systems Hardware Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required). Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by William Faria to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #5 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #5. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #6. Motion was made by Andrew Artimovich and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the existing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund to meet our constitutional and statutory requirement that assessments are at full and true value at least as often as every fifth year. (Majority vote required). An amendment was made by James Berlo and duly seconded by Patty Shoreland to reduce the amount to raise and appropriate to Zero Dollars (\$0). Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Douglas Cowie to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Amendment to Article #6 failed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Jonathan Morgan to close debate on Article #6, as written. Article #6 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #6. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #7. Motion was made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the existing Maintenance of Town Buildings Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required). Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #7 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #7. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

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ARTICLE #8. Motion was made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$350,000) for the purpose of public road repair and maintenance. (Majority vote required). Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Robert Bergin to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #8 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #8. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #9. Motion was made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the existing Repair Town Bridges Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required). Motion made by Andrew Artimovich and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #9 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #9. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #10. Motion was made by William Faria and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the existing Highway Vehicles/Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required). Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #10 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #10. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #11. Motion was made by Kenneth Christiansen and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the existing capital reserve fund for the purchase of fire and rescue vehicles. (Majority Vote Required). Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Kenneth Christiansen to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Voice vote too close to call. Moderator asked for show of hands. YES 49 NO 41. Article #11 passed by hand vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #11. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #12. Motion was made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) for renovations to the existing police station. This amount to come from unassigned fund balance. (Majority Vote Required). Motion made by Robert Bergin and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #12 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #12. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #13. Motion was made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to see if the town will vote to establish a Police Facility Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the design and construction of a new police facility and to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (Majority Vote Required). Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by James Berlo to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #13 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #13. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #14. Motion was made by Andrew Artimovich and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to see if the town will vote to reclassify Smith Road to a Class VI road subject to gates and bars. Motion made by Andrew Artimovich and duly seconded by Robert Mantegari to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article #14 passed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict reconsideration of Article #14. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE #15. Motion was made by Emily Schmaltzer and duly seconded; By petition of at least 25 registered voters, We the town of Brentwood hereby call upon our State and Federal elected representatives to enact carbon-pricing legislation to protect New Hampshire from the costs and environmental risks of continued climate inaction. To protect households, we support a Carbon Fee and Dividend approach that charges fossil fuel producers for their carbon pollution and rebates the money collected to all residents on an equal basis. Enacting a Carbon Cash-Back program decreases long-term fossil-fuel dependence, aids in the economic transition for energy consumers, and keeps local energy dollars in New Hampshire's economy. Carbon Cash-Back has been championed by US economists (Jan 17, 2019 WSJ) as the most cost effective and fair way to deliver rapid reductions in harmful carbon emissions at the scale required for our safety.

We expect our representatives to lead in this critical moment for the health and well-being of our citizens and for the protection of New Hampshire's natural resources upon which we all rely.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to our town's State Legislators, to the Governor of New Hampshire, to our town's Congressional Delegation, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by our town's Select Board, within 30 days of this vote.

Motion made by Andrew Artimovich and duly seconded by William Faria to close debate. Motion to close debate passed by voice vote. Article # 15 failed by voice vote. Motion made by Robert Mantegari and duly seconded by Andrew Artimovich to restrict consideration of Articles #20. Motion to restrict reconsideration passed by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 1:49 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Daphne Woss, Town Clerk

\*\*\*\* Brentwood zoning amendment ballot votes and Exeter Region Coop warrant article voting results can be found on page 11.

## **Opinion** [*uh*-**pin**-y*uh*n]

## *noun* – a personal view, attitude, or appraisal

#### **News From the State House**

The State House was particularly busy and anxious during the 2nd week of March. On Wednesday and Thursday, March 11 and 12, Representatives spent over 28 hours sitting elbow to elbow in the 400 seats that make up Representatives Hall. The longest day was Thursday, March 12, when we began our session at 9:00am and concluded at 4:00am Friday. This particular Session happened because Thursday was a legislative deadline, so all bills either needed to be voted on, OR the House could vote to extend the deadline and come back another time to vote on bills when the Coronavirus was not looming over our state and nation. The vote required bipartisan support and House Republicans refused to vote on the extension unless the Speaker reversed previous reprimands of 14 Republican Representatives who refused to attend a two hour sexual and workplace harassment training. The result of this lack of cooperation ended up placing all Legislators at risk of the ongoing Coronavirus threat and requiring an all night legislative session.

Despite these unnecessary tactics, I and other Legislators continued to do the good work of the state. We voted to move our state forward on issues such as: ending child marriage; capping the price of insulin; making our schools, families and communities safer by passing gun violence prevention measures; making voting and independent redistricting more accessible; allowing trans and gender variant citizens to update their birth certificates; holding strong on securing women's reproductive freedoms; making vaccines less expensive and more accessible; requiring landlords to give adequate notice when seeking rent increases and promoting statewide energy efficiency programs.

And, speaking of statewide energy programs, I am thrilled to announce a bill I introduced, HB 1535 – relative to installation of solar photovoltaic energy systems by owners subject to deed restrictions in homeowner associations - has passed the House! The bill will allow members of homeowner associations access to installation of solar panels on their homes providing those locations are not shared or common property. Having access to solar panel installation will allow these homeowners to reduce their electric bills, protect against rising energy costs, increase their property value, reduce green house gas emissions and contribute to the local economy by creating jobs. Currently in NH, there are over 300,000 people living in homeowner associations and that number is expected to rise, just as it has done in Brentwood. This bill will bring NH in line with 27 other states, encouraging the use of solar panels for residents of homeowner associations. The bill will now move on to the Senate, where co-sponsors there will advocate for its passage and then to the Governor to be assigned into law. I will keep you updated on its progress.

As always, please follow my work posted on my FB page – Liz McConnell Brentwood Representative, NH House. I can also be reached at liz.mcconnell@leg.state.nh.us. Thank you again for the opportunity to serve Brentwood. I love this job!

The State House has been mothballed until at least April 10th to help reduce the spread of the coronavirus. The bad scheduling, half days, and time wasted by the current leadership in the House came to a head on March 12. We had approximately 300 bills to act on in two days. Fortunately, about 100 of those bills' fate was not contested and they moved on or died with a single vote. That left 200 bills to be discussed and voted on before the deadline.

We only got through about 50 of the bills the first day. That left another 150 bills to be discussed and voted on in a single day. With the coronavirus on our heels, that same majority who wasted and mismanaged our time, wanted to push the remaining bills off to another day. At 11:00 pm, with 50+ bills left to vote on, a democrat motioned to suspend the rules of the House requiring us to act on the bills left and push them to sometime in the future. While at the time we didn't know we wouldn't be coming back for a month, there was a sense that the spread of the coronavirus would get worse before it got better. In spite of that fact, 165 representatives voted to postpone action and 135 voted to complete the calendar and catch up to the deadline. A two-thirds vote was needed to ignore the rules, the vote failed, and we pressed on with debating the merits of the remaining bills. Unfortunately, when the majority didn't get their way, they chose to shut down the debate by tabling bill after bill. Roughly 20 of those 50 bills were tabled to avoid full discussion and to speed through our work in an effort to end the day. That is a tool available to the majority and they used it. When we go back, we will already be behind from this state of emergency. I am glad we are not another full session day behind from suspending the deadline as we will have a lot to do when we get back.

My bill, HB1559, relative to sealing records in nonpublic session under the right-to-know law passed. This bill seeks to automatically unseal nonpublic session minutes unless resealed in an effort to have boards keep those sessions in mind and verify that they still should be kept from public view. In my experience, I have not seen town boards go back to review sealed minutes to see if the sensitive information still "overrides" the public's right to know. The bill was scaled down to just nonpublic sessions about contracts, but even those are often not unsealed once the contract is signed or after the contract has ended. I believe it is important for the government to be accountable to the people, so every little bit helps. However, a law is not required for boards to review their non-public minutes to see if any of them could be unsealed. I encourage all boards to review non-public minutes whenever they seat new members so all members know what has been sealed and bring to mind the option to unseal those minutes.

Josh Yokela, State Representative Rockingham 33 (Brentwood, Danville, and Fremont)

## **Brentwood Recreation News**

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm 603-642-6400 ext. 120 • recreation@brentwoodnh.gov www.brentwoodnh.gov/recreation

#### ALL BRENTWOOD PROGRAMS AND EVENTS STATUS

Payments for spring sports may be made at the end of the season. Please visit the Brentwood Rec website to register.

- **Senior Luncheons** Senior luncheons will pick back up when the community center opens again.
- Bunny Breakfast Cancelled.
- Pickity Place Trip Cancelled.
- Pickleball Will start and be located at the community center basketball court when the quarantine ends.
- Kids Club Will start when school opens back up.
- Tball/Farm Baseball Registration is still open, info to follow.
- Youth Lacrosse Registration is still open, expected start date is April 21st.
- Youth Field Hockey Registration is still open, expected start date is April 22nd.
- Pound Fit Will resume when the community center opens.
- Senior Yoga/Yoga Classes Will resume when the community center opens.
- Martial Arts Will resume when the community center opens.
- Men's Basketball Will resume when schools open back up.

**Brentwood Summer Camp:** Resident and non-resident registrations are open for Brentwood Recreation Summer Camp. Camp operates Monday-Friday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, June 29th - August 21st. Grades: Entering 1st-6th. Rates increase after May 29th! Visit the Recreation Office or our website for Parent Handbook.

**Adult Coed Softball:** Registration and Captains meeting to be announced. **Foxwoods Casino Trip:** On April 20th join Brentwood Recreation to an all-day trip to Foxwoods. Cost is \$40/person and the fee includes: transportation on coach bus, coffee & donuts, \$15 food voucher AND \$15 gambling voucher, and water/crackers. Bus leaves community center at 7:30am and returns around 7:30 pm. Please call the Recreation Office to reserve your seat(s).

#### ON GOING RECREATION EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

**Sneaker/Cleat Swap Bin:** If you are looking to get rid of old sneakers or cleats, please come down to town hall and donate your footwear to our sneaker/cleat swap bin right outside of the recreation office. This bin will help other members of the community to find appropriate footwear if families have limited options.

**Equipment Swap:** If you have any old sports equipment like baseball bats, helmets, soccer balls, etc... that you would like to get rid of, please contact Brentwood Recreation. Brentwood Rec will gladly accept donations to help other sports and families in need.

**Community Center:** The Brentwood Community Center is available to rent for parties, receptions, meetings and more. Brentwood residents receive a discounted rental rate! See our website for pictures and rental application, or pick up an application at the Recreation office.

## Do You Have a Can to Spare?

Unfortunately, the Brentwood Food Pantry shelves are quite bare.

During this difficult time, the Pantry has seen increased usage. We expect this trend to continue as the crisis we are facing unfolds.

We appreciate your help in filling up the food pantry for those who are being hardest hit by this current situation we find ourselves in.

Pilgrim Church gladly accepts non-perishable items as well as monetary donations. You can leave bags or boxes with your donations in the plastic tote outside the doors of the church.

For now, our staff will be available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, though our building is closed to encourage physical distancing. We ask that you give us a call 603-778-3189 to let us know you are coming.

Stay safe! Stay healthy! Keep breathing! Blessings to you and thank you!

## **Exeter Region Cooperative Voting Results**

Warrant Article #1 - ERCS Budget: \$63,932,373 2858 1889
Warrant Article #2 - Sale of Kensington Land: 3819 885
Both articles passed.

## **Brentwood Town Zoning Amendments**

QUESTION 1: Amend the Cluster Development Ordinance by adding (100) and add the section starting with, In instancesto section 3 of 300.002.007.005 to reflect the ability for the PB to have flexibility in reviewing cluster residential designs.	YES 298	NO 144
QUESTION 2: Amend the ADU regulations to clarify the structural requirements of an ADU by removing the term units and adding finished space & removing the term apartment.	304	133
<b>QUESTION 3:</b> Amend Article IV 400.005.003, to read as follows:  The bottom of the proposed wastewater treatment		
facility shall be a minimum of four two (2) feet above any seasonal high-water table.	229	208
<b>QUESTION 4:</b> Amend Article VIII sections 800.007.001 Mail and section 800.007.002 Public Notice by changing the current 30-day period with 45 days.	354	83

All questions passed.

## **Brentwood Meeting Dates**

Be sure to check the individual organization articles inside for many more activites and dates!

#### ALL SAU 16 SCHOOL BUILDINGS REMAIN CLOSED.

SAU 16 Superintendent David Ryan announced that all SAU 16 school facilities will close for at least two weeks beginning Monday, March 16 as part of the district's evolving response to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). SAU16 will implement remote learning during the building closure to ensure educational continuity during this uncertain time. Parents will be notified of further developments.

- Apr 2 Cemetery Trustees Meeting, CANCELLED for April.
- Apr 2 Planning Board Meeting, 7:00 pm via remote access. Check the town website and PB agenda for login details.
- Apr 4 Basement Bookstore Open, Mary E. Bartlett Memorial Library, 10:00 am to noon. TENTATIVE, check the Library website to confirm.
- Apr 6 Brentwood School Board Meeting, 6:30 pm. TENTATIVE, check town website or contact SB chair for details.
- Apr 6 Library Trustees Meeting, Mary E. Bartlett Memorial Library, 6:00 pm. TENTATIVE, check the Library website to confirm.
- Apr 7 **Board of Selectmen Meeting,** Town Office, 6:00 pm.
- Apr 8 Brentwood Republican Meeting, CANCELLED for April.
- Apr 13 Friends of the Library Meeting, CANCELLED for April.
- Apr 15 **Deadline for submissions to the Brentwood Newsletter.**
- Apr 16 Planning Board Meeting, 7:00 pm. TENTATIVE, check with the PB to confirm.
- Apr 18 Rabies Clinic, POSTPONED. Watch for a future announcement.
- Apr 18 Annual Roadside Cleanup, No planned BBQ, but bags and gloves will be available at Pilgrim Church from 9:00 to 10:00 am.
- Apr 18 Basement Bookstore Open, Mary E. Bartlett Memorial Library, 10:00 am to noon. TENTATIVE, check the Library website to confirm.
- Apr 21 **Board of Selectmen Meeting**, Town Office, 6:00 pm.
- Apr 21 Brentwood Gardeners Meeting, CANCELLED for April.
- Apr 22 Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office will be closed for a workshop.
- Apr 28 Recreation Commission Meeting, Town Office, 6:30 pm. TENTATIVE, check with the Rec Dept. to confirm.
- Apr 22 **Senior Luncheon**, CANCELLED for April.

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